ments, different models of Railway Coaches, Track-laying equipments. These Public Sector Undertakings also undertake construction & repair of ships, Portable Bridges, Deck machinery items, Ship-borne equipments, Agricultural pumps. Diesel engines for both marine propulsion and power generation for the Civil Sector.

(c) The value of equipments manufactured for the Civil Sector during the last three years is as under:-

Year	Rs. in crores
1989-90	1182.11
1990-91	1332.81
1991-92	1443.99 (Provisional)

हिन्दुस्तान एयरोनॉटिक्स लिमिटेड द्वारा यात्री विमान का निर्माण

2003. **श्री विश्वासराव रामराव पाटिल :**
कुमारी सरोज खापर्डे :

क्या **रक्षा** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि हिन्दुस्तान एयरोनॉटिक्स लिमिटेड ने बड़े असैनिक विमान के निर्माण की क्षमता प्राप्त कर ली है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या सरकार इस उपक्रम की क्षमता का पूरा उपयोग करने के लिए और असैनिक विमान की मांग को भी ध्यान में रखते हुए/ नई पीढ़ी के ए० टी० पी० यात्री विमान. सहित बड़े विमान का निर्माण करने की योजना बना रही है;

(ग) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(घ) यदि नहीं, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं ?

रक्षा मंत्री (श्री शरद पवार) : (क) जी, नहीं।

(ख) से (घ) प्रश्न नहीं उठते।

Import of Defective Parachutes from North Korea

2004. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA:
SHRI SOM PAL:
SHRI SARADA MOHANTY:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a huge amount of money has been lost on account of importing defective parachutes from North Korea by the Ministry of Defence;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) what are the reasons for this loss and who are the official responsible for it;

(d) what action is proposed to be taken against the erring officials; and

(e) if the answer to part (d) above be in the negative, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR): (a) to (e) No parachutes were imported from North Korea. The C&AG of India, in his Report for the year ended 31st March 1990, had made certain observations regarding an emergency import of 900 parachutes in 1986 from South Korea, on the basis of which the Public Accounts Committee has submitted a Report, which was laid in the Rajya Sabha on 30-4-92. As per the prescribed procedure, an Action Taken Note

(ATN) on the P.A.C. Report, regarding the remedial action taken, shall be submitted within six months. Work has been initiated on the preparation of the A.T.N.

Steep Decline in Growth Rate of BEL

2005. SHRI SARADA MOHANTY:
SHRI SOM PAL:
SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there has been a steep decline in the rate of growth of the public sector unit Bharat Electronics Ltd;

(b) if so, what are the factors responsible therefor; and

(c) what measures are being contemplated to ensure a healthy rate of growth which was being witnessed by this unit during the past several years?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR): (a) No, Sir. The Value of Production and the Value of Sales of BEL during the last 3 years at current prices was as under:—

(Rs. in Crores)

Year	Value of Production	Value of Sales
1989-90	694	645
1990-91	700	724
1991-92	701*	724*

*(Provisional)

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The Company proposes to adopt the following measures to ensure its healthy growth:

(i) Diversification into civilian markets for items such as Telecommunication (Switching), Medical electronics, Satellite Communication, Consumer Electronics and Systems Engineering;

(ii) Entering into/ undertaking joint ventures/joint development prorgammes with a view to expand domestic and export business;

(iii) Updating of technology through Transfer of Technology;

(iv) Expansion of existing facilities for identified items; and

(v) Strengthening the marketing cadre.

Indictment of Ministry of Defence by the Public Accounts Committee

2006. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA:
SHRI SOM PAL:
SHRI SARADA MOHANTY:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Public Accounts Committee has indicted the Ministry of Defence for its failure to develop and produce a trainer Air Craft, which has entailed a huge infructuous expenditure of Rs. 27 crores;

(b) if so, whether Government have tried to find out as to who is accountable for such a big wastage;

(c) what action is being contemplated against those who are responsible for this; and

(d) what is being done to ensure that such wastages are not allowed in future?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR): (a) to (d) The Public Accounts Committee (1991-92) in its Twenty-Fifth Report (Tenth Lok Sabha), laid in Rajya Sabha on 30-4-92 observed that the